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In re Patent Application of ) **MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Sir:

In complete response to the Examiner's restriction requirement issued April 11, 2006,  
Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-8 and 32-46 without traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to file one or more continuation and/or divisional  
applications directed to the non-elected subject matter.

Applicants earnestly solicit favorable consideration of the above response. If the  
Examiner has any questions or comments regarding the present application, the Examiner is  
invited to telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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